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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d)

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after either a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), but before payment of the Issue Fee, and therefore please charge to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880 the fee of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), and a Statement

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